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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ABOUT BOYCOTTING COUNTRIES,
FOR PURPOSES OF TAX REFORM ACT

REF: (A) STATE 250007, (B) THE HAGUE 2366

1. WITHIN GUIDELINES PROVIDED IN REFTEL (A) INCLUDING ITS
PARA 6, WE CAN STATE GENERALLY THAT GON DOES NOT REPEAT NOT
REQUIRE FOREIGN BUSINESS CONCERNS AND THEIR DOMESTIC SUB-
SIDIARIES TO AGREE, EITHER EXPLICITLY OR IMPLICITLY, TO
REFRAIN FROM ANY OF THE CONDUCT LISTED IN REFTEL (A)'S
PARA 3(A) THROUGH (E).

2. SHOULD BE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT INTERESTED DUTCH ACTION
GROUPS DO TEND OCCASIONALLY TO BRING PRESSURE TO BEAR ON
SUCH ISSUES AS WHETHER A DUTCH FIRM SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN
A CONSORTIUM TO BUILD A NUCLEAR POWER PLANT IN SOUTH AFRICA.
WE ALSO HAVE LEARNED OF AN INSTANCE IN WHICH A DUTCH
MUNICIPALITY INFORMED A DUTCH CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING FIRM
THAT THE FIRM WOULD NOT RECEIVE MUNICIPAL CONTRACTS IF IT DID
NOT TERMINATE WORK IN CHILE WHICH CAUSED DUTCH FIRM TO WITHDRAW
FROM CHILE. WE KNOW OF NO INSTANCE IN WHICH A U.S. FIRM OR
SUBSIDIARY HAD BEEN SUBJECTED TO SIMILAR TREATMENT.

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3. GENERAL POLICY OF GON TOWARD ARAB BOYCOTT WAS COVERED

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